



ASX

Open	4,876
Close	4,980
Movement (%)	2.13%
Day high	4,983
Day low	4,876
1 yr Return	-9.36%
YTD return	-6.63%

JCI

Open	4,607
Close	4,665
Movement (%)	1.52%
Day high	4,669
Day low	4,607
1 yr Return	-9.97%
YTD return	1.59%

PSE

Open	6,555
Close	6,652
Movement (%)	2.01%
Day high	6,652
Day low	6,554
1 yr Return	-11.66%
YTD return	-4.30%

Global currencies against USD

USD	1
IDR	13,640
EUR	0.89
AUD	1.39
PHP	47.68
GBP	0.69
SGD	1.40

Commodity Prices

Gold	USD/oz	1,153.80
Oil (brent)	USD/bbl	34.35
Oil (WTI)	USD/bbl	31.60
Coal (Indo)	USD/t	53.20
Iron Ore	USD/t	45.52

Market View

US Markets

Dollar softening boost equities and commodities

The U.S. gains were led by a 2.8% climb in the materials sector. The MSCI World equity index rose 0.8%. The Dow Jones industrial average rose 79.92 points, or 0.49%, to 16,416.58, the S&P 500 gained 2.92 points, or 0.15%, to 1,915.45 and the Nasdaq Composite added 5.32 points, or 0.12%, to 4,509.56.

Asian Markets

Asia stocks trade mostly higher but Nikkei falls 0.9%

Most Asian markets closed up on Thursday, following a mostly higher finish on Wall Street overnight amid an oil price surge. Australia's ASX 200 gained 103.64 points, or 2.13%, to 4,980.40. In South Korea, the Kospi gained 25.59 points, or 1.35%, to 1,916.26, while in Hong Kong, the Hang Seng index gained 1.43%. The Nikkei 225 extended recent losses to close 146.26 points, or 0.85%, lower at 17,044.99.

News in Brief

Economy

Philippines: Government debt hits PHP5.94tn in 2015

Debt held by the national government rose last year to nearly PHP6tn according to the Bureau of the Treasury. Liabilities rose 3.8% from 2014 to PHP5.954tn in 2015. Both domestic and foreign obligations increased. Domestic debts, which accounted for the bulk of the debt pile, went up 1.7% to PHP3.884tn. Their foreign counterparts rose by a faster 8.1% to P2.07 trillion.

Indonesia: 10th stimulus package to be announced on the 15th February

The government plans to announce its tenth economic stimulus package before President Joko Widodo departs for the United States to attend a special summit between representatives of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the US. Joko's administration on Jan. 27 announced its ninth stimulus package, with the stated aim of speeding up power project development, helping to stabilize meat prices and boosting the logistics sector.

Corporate

Indonesia: CGV Blitz seek USD62mm from right issuance

Graha Layar Prima, the operator of movie theater chain CGV Blitz, plans to raise up to IDR850bn (USD62mm) in a preemptive rights issue by the middle of the year to finance its business operations. The publicly-listed company announced on Wednesday (03/03) that it seeks to offer up to 110,000 Class-C shares with a nominal value of IDR 100. Funds from the limited public offering, minus the issuance fees, will be used to pay off the company's IDR250bn debt. The remaining will used for business development in the form of capital spending, namely to build new cinemas in several regions in Indonesia, such as Jakarta, Banten, West Java, East Java and North Sumatra.

Indonesia: Drug makers see sales uptick in 2016 on Government healthcare program

Indonesia's drug market growth is expected to accelerate this year, driven by rising demand for generic drugs from the government healthcare program. The foreign drug manufacturers lobby group, known as IPMG, sees total turnover growing to IDR61tn (USD4.46mm) in 2016, up from last year's sales of IDR56tn. That would represent a 9% growth rate this year, from just 7.6% a year earlier. The news buoyed drug companies' shares at the Indonesia Stock Exchange. State owned Kimia Farma rose 2.3% to trade at IDR 1,320 per share at the lunch break, while Tempo Scan Pacific rose 1.5% to IDR 1,750 a piece.

Indonesia: XL to halve hefty debts to save bottom line

Telecommunications provider XL Axiata is set to halve its total loans this year through a share offering and tower sales, a move expected to push the company back into the black. XL is to hold a rights issue to repay shareholder loans amounting to USD500mm maturing in 2017, and will also sell 2,500 towers to pay its rupiah debts. The asset sale may generate around IDR4tn for the company, going by a 2014 transaction that saw XL sell 3,500 towers for IDR1.6bn each. Both of the transactions, are expected to conclude by the end of the first half this year.

Indonesia: Total cuts production targets for Mahakan Block

Total E&P Indonesia, the local unit of the France oil producer, has cut its oil and gas production target of the Mahakan oil and gas blocks in East Kalimantan amid low global oil prices. Total is expected to produce 1.4 billion cubic feet of gas per day and 54,100 barrels of oil condensate daily this year. The targets are down 17% and 20% respectively from last year's production of 1.7 billion cubic feet of gas per day and 86,000 barrel of condensates per day.

Commodities

Indonesia: Rubber exports expected to drop by 8% due to El Nino season

Indonesia's rubber exports are expected to fall by at least 8% to 2.4 million tonnes in 2016 from 2.6 million tonnes a year ago. Indonesian Rubber association has stated that exports would decline by at least 238,000 tonnes. The number of rubber trees has been decreased due to farmers cutting down their effected trees. With the El Nino season not over yet, weather patterns have seem to be the link to the serious crop damage.

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